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MIDWEST LIVESTOCK REVIEW and

RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Combined hog receipts at the 12 markets and in the Interior Iowa-So. Minn. area were the largest since the week ended December 1, 1956, this the main factor influencing the 50-75¢ decline on barrows and gilts. Trading on slaughter steers and heifers was rather slow at midwest terminals. Choice and Prime fed steers sold mostly steady with other grades steady to 50¢ lower. Slaughter heifers closed steady to 25¢ lower except some 950# down steady to 50¢ higher. Slaughter lambs sold 25¢-\$1.00 lower, mostly 50¢ off.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES - Salable cattle at 12 markets for the week numbered 234,000 head or about 30,000 more than the previous holiday week, and 12,000 larger than a year ago. The percentage of slaughter steers and heifers in the overall supply continued to increase as the volume of stockers and feeders showed a seasonal decrease. The percent of Choice and Prime slaughter steers was proportionally smaller and with demand centered on such kinds. prices were mostly steady. At some markets demand for steers over 1150# was narrow with prices lower. Heifers over 950# were also in poorer demand than the lighter offerings at most of the centers. At Chicago high-Choice and Prime slaughter steers were steady to 50¢ higher while Standard to average-Choice were steady to 50¢ lower. At the other terminals, Choice slaughter steers under 1150# sold steady to as much as 25¢ higher while heavier steers were steady to 25¢ lower, in extremes 50¢ lower. For the most part, steers grading Standard to low-Choice were steady to 50¢ lower. At Chicago heifers over 950# were steady to 25¢ lower and lighter weights steady to 50¢ higher. Heifers at the other terminals sold steady to 25¢ lower, extremes 50¢ lower. Cows found a ready outlet at all markets and price advances ranged from 50¢-\$2.00, mostly 50¢-\$1.00 higher with Sioux City and Omaha showing advances of \$1.00-2.00. Vealers sold steady to \$2.00 higher.

At Chicago Prime steers 1150-1350# sold from \$28.00-28.50, high-Choice and Prime slaughter steers \$26.25-27.75, Choice 950-1100# \$26.25-27.00, 1100-1300# \$24.75-26.50. Good to average-Choice \$23.75-26.50, Good \$23.00-24.25. Average to high-Choice steers at St. Louis National Stock Yards and Indianapolis sold from \$27.00-27.50, Choice \$25.50-26.50 Good to low-Choice \$23.00-25.50. Bulk Choice slaughter steers at the other markets sold at \$24.50-25.50 with some mostly Choice down to \$24.00, and high-Choice and high-Choice and Prime offerings at \$25.75-26.75; Good and low-Choice \$22.00-24.50. At Chi-

cago, high-Choice and Prime heifers went at \$25.50-26.25, Good and Choice \$22.50-25.25. Elsewhere, Good and Choice heifers sold at mostly \$21.00-25.00, high-Choice and Prime \$25.00-26.00. Utility and Commercial cows sold at \$13.50-16.50, Canners and Cutters \$11.00-14.50. Good and Choice vealers at So. St. Paul closed at \$22.00-26.00, high-Choice and Prime \$27.00-29.00. At St. Louis National Stock Yards, Good and Choice sold at \$28.00-32.00, Choice and Prime to \$34.00.

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTIE AND CALVES The peak of the fall stocker and feeder movement having passed, supplies diminished seasonally, and with less of a selection around,
buyers showed renewed interest in procuring
replacements. Trading at most points was more
active than recently, and prices were firm to
\$1.00 higher, instances of \$1.00-2.00 up on
stock calves and some stock cows \$1.00-1.50
higher. At Kansas City best clearance in
several weeks was effected at largely 50¢-\$1.00
higher prices.

Good and Choice feeder steers 750-1050#
sold from \$22.00-25.00, few loads Good steers
\$21.00-21.50 and the bulk Medium and Good \$16.5022.00. Good and Choice 500-750# stocker and
feeder steers cleared mostly from \$23.00-26.00
with several loads Choice 500-650# at Missouri
River points \$26.50-27.50; Medium and Good
largely \$18.00-24.00. Good to Choice stocker
and feeder heifers sold from \$20.00-25.00.
Medium and Good heifers brought \$17.00-21.00.

Good and Choice steer calves sold largely from \$25.00-31.50 with a few loads Choice \$32.00-33.25 at Omaha, Sioux City and Denver. Two loads Choice 282# heifer calves cashed at \$29.75 at Omaha but otherwise bulk Good and Choice heifer calves sold from \$21.00-28.00. Medium and Good steer and heifer calves ranged \$18.00-24.00. Common, Medium and Good stock cows, sold from \$11.00-16.00, few Good first-calf cows at \$17.00-18.75.

HOGS - Combined receipts at the 12 terminals and direct sales within the Interior Iowa-So. Minnesota area were the largest since the week ending December 1, 1956. The volume was around 25 percent greater than the holiday shortened supply of the previous week and 14 percent larger than the corresponding week last year. The bulk of the butcher supply was mixed U. S. No. 1-3, 190-270# offerings and included fewer No. 1 and 2 under 210# while there was a general increase of No. 2 and 3 lots weighing 240-270#. Uniform lots of butchers under 220# met fairly good demand while outlet was rather poor for consignments above 240#. Sows comprised from 8-14 percent of

receipts at various markets and made up 9 percent of the Interior supply.

Prices on barrows and gilts were 50-75¢ lower for the week with a few over 240# \$1.00 off. Sows sold unevenly 50¢-\$1.50 lower with most sales 75¢-\$1.00 off.

Closing sales at the midwest markets for mixed U. S. No. 1-3 barrows and gilts 190-240#, including a few 180-190# at eastern Cornbelt markets, were from \$11.75-12.50, and a few to \$12.75 at Indianapolis. No. 1 and 2 selected lots sold mostly from \$12.35-13.00. Mixed No. 1-3 sows 270-400# bulked from \$9.25-10.25. In the Interior area mixed No. 1-3, 200-240# butchers, including a few 190-200# lots, brought \$11.15-12.15 with some No. 1 and 2 \$11.75-12.50, few at plant to \$12.75; mixed U. S. 1-3, 270-400# sows \$9.00-10.50.

Feeder pig prices at Sioux City were 25-50¢ lower with sales steady at So. St. Paul and 50¢ lower at Memphis. Medium and Good 130-170# feeders at Sioux City sold from \$9.50-10.50, mostly \$10.00. At St. Paul Good and Choice pigs realized \$9.50-10.00. Medium and Good 40-120# pigs at Memphis sold from \$9.00-10.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS - Receipts at the 12 markets were 45 percent greater than in the previous holiday week and 10 percent above the same week a year ago. Prices for slaughter lambs were unevenly 25¢-\$1.00 lower, mostly 50¢ off. The greatest price downturns were recorded on shorn lambs. Slaughter yearlings declined \$1.50-3.00 at Ft. Worth but were scarce elsewhere. Slaughter ewes were mostly steady except strong to 50¢ higher at Omaha and Indianapolis. Feeder lambs sold steady at a number of points, steady to 50¢ higher at Denver, but \$1.00 lower at St. Joseph and Ft. Worth. Bulk Good and Choice 75-115# wooled slaughter lambs sold from \$16.50-18.00 with consignments mostly Choice 89-111# to \$18.50 early in the week. Utility and Good wooled lambs sold from \$14.00-17.00. Good and Choice 90-114# shorn slaughter lambs with No. 1 and fall shorn pelts sold from \$16.00-17.75, and a few consignments mostly Choice reached \$18.00 early at Omaha and St. Louis National Stock Yards. Good and Choice shorn slaughter yearlings sold from \$10.00-13.50 at Ft. Worth, and a load same grades 107# wooled yearlings brought \$14.00 at Chicago. Cull to Choice wooled slaughter ewes sold from \$2.50-6.50 at most points with Utility and Good \$6.00-7.00 at Ft. Worth. Good and Choice 60-80# feeder lambs sold from \$15.00-18.00, some to \$19.00 at Denver. Most Medium and Good feeders brought \$12.00-16.00.

RANGE AND FEEDLOT SAIES

Note: Shrink on most range and feedlot
sales none to 5 percent. mostly 4 percent f.o.b.

some with short haul and 3 percent shrink. All sales for immediate delivery unless specified.

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, AND UTAH - Direct trading on slaughter steers and heifers out of California and Arizona feedlots very active with prices firm to 50¢ higher. Not enough transactions on stocker and feeder cattle and calves to test price trends. Few sales slaughter lambs about steady.

Slaughter steers: In California, 14 loads Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 900-980# \$27.00; l1 loads Choice 850-1050# \$26.50-26.75; Choice 1200-1540# \$23.00-25.00; high-Good and Choice 1175# down in California and Arizona \$24.90-26.25, including steers for delivery up to January 15; Good and low-Choice 1200# down \$23.00-24.75; Standard and Good 900-1250# \$21.50-22.75. Slaughter heifers: In California and Arizona, 8 loads 750-900# \$25.50-26.00; 70 loads high-Good and Choice up to 1000# \$24.00-25.00; Good 800-850# \$23.00-23.65.

Stockers and feeders: Few lots Good and Choice 600-825# feeder steers \$24.00-24.50; 700 mostly Good 750-800# \$17.90 in Arizona; few lots Good and Choice feeder heifers \$21.00-22.50. Good and Choice stock steer calves 450# down \$25.00-27.50.

Slaughter lambs: In California, few loads Good to mostly 93-118# Choice shorn slaughter lambs with No. 2 to fall shorn pelts \$17.00-18.50. In Nevada, 3 loads mostly Choice 108-111# wooled slaughter lambs \$18.00.

COLORADO, SOUTHERN WYOMING, WESTERN NEBRASKA, AND WESTERN KANSAS - Trading on fed cattle direct at feedlots in Colorado was active. Sales were confirmed on 250 loads of fed cattle compared to 319 loads the previous week and 403 loads a year ago. Both fed steers and heifers sold steady. In Colorado 45 loads average to high-Choice mostly average-Choice 969-1225# fed steers \$26.50-26.75: 60 loads high-Good to average-Choice 1035-1300# \$24.50-26.25, mostly \$25.00-26.25; 5 loads Standard to average-Good 900-1100# \$22.25-23.00. In the Scottsbluff, Nebraska area, 4 loads high-Good to average-Choice 1150# \$25.00. Eleven loads average to high-Choice 925-975# fed heifers \$25.75; 44 loads low to average-Choice 750-1025# \$24.75-25.50, mostly \$25.25-25.50; 85 loads average-Good to low-Choice 875-1035# \$24.00-25.25, mostly \$24.50 and up.

Very few direct sales on stocker and feeder cattle and calves were confirmed in this area. Western Kansas: 150 Good and Choice short yearling steers \$120.00 per head. Western Slope of Colorado: 423 head Good and Choice calves, heifers 340-401# \$24.00-24.50, steers 408-483# \$26.00-26.25. In the Gunnison area several small bunches of Choice 374-437# steer calves \$30.00-31.00, a few heifer calves \$27.00. In Northern Colorado: load and a half

Medium and Good 854# feeder cows \$14.50.

Northern Colorado: 6 loads under 108# Good and Choice wooled slaughter lambs early in the week \$18.25-18.50; 2 loads same grades 106# with No. 1 pelts \$17.00-17.25. San Luis Valley, Colorado: About 5 loads Good and Choice 100-105# slaughter lambs delivered Denver \$17.75-18.25. Western Kansas: 4 loads Good to mostly Choice 98-99# wooled lambs \$18.25-18.50 delivered Denver.

NEW MEXICO, WEST TEXAS, WESTERN OKIAHOMA, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS - Direct trade on slaughter steers and heifers largely steady on confirmed sales of 57 loads steers and 15 loads heifers, most activity in Texas and Oklahoma panhandles. Confirmed sales of stockers and feeders totaled 9,595 head with prices fully steady, instances 50¢ higher. Five loads mostly Choice 1135# fed steers \$24.00; bulk Standard to average-Good 900-1300# \$20.50-23.75. Load Choice 835# fed heifers \$25.00, other Good and Choice 760-1000# \$23.75-24.50.

Good and Choice stocker and feeder steers \$21.00-25.50; Medium and low-Good \$17.50-20.30; l65 Choice 750-800# steers for January delivery \$24.00. Good and Choice stocker and feeder heifers \$20.00-24.00, few Medium \$19.50-19.75. Good and Choice stock steer calves \$25.00-28.75, string Choice 424# \$30.25; Good and Choice heifer calves \$24.00-25.00. About 150 Medium 1100# stock cows \$140.00 per head; 300 Good 3-5 year olds, 90 with calves at side, \$200.00 per cow with calves included.

IDAHO, OREGON AND WASHINGTON - Prices on fed steers under 1200# steady, 1250-1350# strong to 50¢ higher; limited sales fed heifers steady. Few confirmed transactions/in Washington and Idaho steady, but steady to \$1.00 higher in Oregon. Slaughter lambs mostly steady in Idaho, but 50 \$=\$1.00 lower in Washington and Oregon.

Washington - Choice 1000-1100# slaughter steers \$26.00-26.50, mostly \$26.25 up, with 1250-1350# \$25.00-25.50; mixed Good and Choice 1000-1250# \$25.00-25.25. Idaho - Average-Choice 1080-1100# steers \$26.00-26.25, with Choice 1000-1100# for January and February delivery at \$25.50, mostly Choice 1000-1125# \$24.75-26.00 with numerous sales at latter price for up to January 15th delivery. Choice 825-950# heifers in Washington and Idaho \$24.00-24.50. Oregon - Choice 850# heifers \$23.75.

Choice 605# yearling Idaho feeder steers \$24.50. Oregon - Good and Choice 600# yearling steers \$23.00; Good and Choice stock calves \$24.00 on heifers, \$26.00 on steers with 400-440# mixed stock calves \$24.50-26.00. Canada - Good and Choice 475-485# stock steer calves \$21.15 F.O.B. British Columbia.

Washington - Mostly Choice 105-110# shorn slaughter lambs \$18.25 delivered to San Francisco. Idaho - Mostly Choice 98-110# wooled slaughter lambs \$17.00-18.00. Good and Choice 113-115# No. 1 pelt slaughter lambs \$16.25.

MONTANA, NORTHERN WYOMING AND WESTERN DAKOTAS - Trade active on stock calves and prices advanced \$1.00-2.00. Good and Choice stock steer calves sold in an uneven range of \$25.00-30.00, largely over \$26.00, and some sales lightweights in Eastern Montana \$30.00-31.00. Good and Choice heifer calves \$22.00-26.00. Transaction on over 15,000 calves at Montana special sales.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

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Market		Dec. 5	-:	Dec. 6	-:	Dec. 5	-:	Dec. 6	-:	Dec. 5	-:	Dec. 6	_	Dec. 5		Dec. 6
Chicago Cincinnati Denver Fort Worth Indianapolis Kansas City Oklahoma City Omaha St. Joseph St. Louis NSY Sioux City S. St. Paul	•	42,723 3,373 14,870 6,196 7,032 20,853 9,027 39,938 16,402 16,046 34,482 22,698		43,732 4,153 9,709 5,277 7,851 16,383 7,055 35,434 15,425 15,385 33,599 27,650		347 681 2,647 2,402 745 1,779 1,544 2,222 1,214 2,452 6,455 12,020		862 717 726 1,797 751 1,017 1,164 2,903 1,003 2,505 3,621 13,376		57,166 12,930 5,366 2,631 44,067 18,838 3,409 68,812 37,493 79,073 66,107 83,535		56,059 10,134 2,964 1,968 41,256 14,964 2,724 53,978 30,964 57,963 56,135 79,540		11,365 2,248 15,753 10,309 5,076 4,883 2,331 16,260 6,841 6,912 12,643 23,191		15,063 1,121 12,701 2,444 5,127 6,544 1,720 13,719 8,145 7,077 11,468 22,377
Total		233,640 204,438	_	221,653	_	34,508 29,477		30,442		479,427 333,048	_	408,649	_	117,812 81,014	_	107,506

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA

Dec. 5, 1959 Nov. 28, 1959 Dec. 6, 1958
Hogs 440,000 403,000 399,000
Sheep ... 26,000 23,000 30,400

RECEIPTS, SALABLE AND TOTAL OF LIVESTOCK AT PUBLIC STOCKYARDS MONTH OF NOVEMBER

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Market	Sala	ble :	Tota	1	Sa]	lable s	Tot	al
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Ohicago	206,076	187,971	217,232	199,699	2,036	3,750	2,036	3,752
Cincinnati	16,418	16,035	20,748	18,572	2,689	2,529	2,731	2,583
Denver	75,889	54,648	89,074	75,514	15,872	12,218	27,059	24,260
Fort Worth	28,682	24,348	35,982	28,209	12,445	8,175	22,506	13,248
Indianapolis	29,445	19,451	30,105	20,007	3,076	2,046	3,076	2,048
Kansas City	103,750	76,141	154,930	118,514	11,615	9,082	25,182	33,019
Oklahoma City.	52,544	35,724	56,981	40,145	11,463	7,126	11,565	7,249
Omaha	182,706	153,916	192,881	161,272	20,885	18,496	24,896	21,252
St. Joseph	67,427	53,720	69,322	55,151	3,967	4,791	4,387	5,021
St. Louis NSY.	67,887	52,057	70,620	54,506	10,875	9,185	11,222	11,040
Sioux City	166,938	140,842	173,136	151,855	44,983	35,977	50,080	44,007
S. St. Paul	99,665	51,419	108,185	53,910	40,611	24,028	42,113	25,623
Total	,097,427	1	,219,196		180,517		226,853	
		866,272		977,354		137,403		193,102
		Hogs		;		Sheep ar	nd lambs	
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Chicago	209,886	196,260	213,556	237,795	38,886	37,491	45,760	41,305
Cincinnati	50,815	38,876	64,874	44,495	7,187	4,663	7,324	4,663
Denver	19,372	9,902	52,738	39,320	73,811	47,618	133,537	91,438
Fort Worth	9,579	6,725	33,452	13,068	27,430	16,063	52,993	31,015
Indianapolis	155,092	110,791	155,675	110,935	18,869	13,300	18,869	13,325
Kansas City	75,701	55,574	78,996	61,104	23,248	21,636	26,055	30,242
Oklahoma City.	13,704	10,609	52,844	33,097	7,381	5,618	7,381	5,618
Omaha	242,742	186,827	363,865	274,543	51,373	46,053	70,081	52,956
St. Joseph	142,498	114,186	219,057	142,987	24,985	19,542	47,340	36,262
St. Louis NSY.	291,739	217,756	299,297	264,824	24,568	21,887	26,268	24,083
Sioux City	249,076	202,183	293,950	218,620	47,694	29,796	69,034	33,178
S. St. Paul	303,023	147,909	367,289	177,611	91,789	37,307	111,056	46,818
Total	,763,227	2	.195.593		437,221		615,698	
TO CONT		,297,598		,618,399		300,974		410,903

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA

		Hogs	Sheep
November	1959	 1,783,000	95,000
November	195 8	 1,601,500	93,300

500	SI	EERS SOLD	OUT OF FIR	ST HANDS F	OR SLAUGHTE	R 1/		
Grade	Number o	of head	Percent by gr		Average (poun		Average podollars pe	
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				ICAGO				
Prime	2,358	4,482	7.9	16.5	1,240	1,212	27.48	28.19
ChoiceGood	19,670 6,469	17,363 4,885	66.2 21.8	63.7 17.9	1,162 1,108	1,190 1,108	26.09 24.57	27.14 26.17
Standard	1,084	225	3.6	.8	1,028	1,048	22.49	24.26
Commercial	36 103	249 55	.1 .4	.9 .2	1,608	1,494	20.15	23.56 23.28
Utility All grades	29,720	27,259	• '	. ~	1,034 1,152	1,049 1,180	19.55 25.74	27.09
				MAHA				
Prime	131	298	.8	1.8	1,171	1,224	26.33	27.18
ChoiceGood	8,733 7,002	10,029 4,569	52.4 42.0	61.8 28.2	1,144 1,156	1,168 1,128	25.20 23.54	26.20 25.26
Standard	675	1,148	4.1	7.1	1,111	1,227	20.73	23.70
Utility	122 16,663	184	.7	1.1	1,044 1,147	1,150	18.60 24.28	22.28
All grades		16,228	_{STOTT}	x cīty		1,162		25.73
Prime	₁₃₄	385	1.0	2.7	1,189	1,182	26.31	27.44
Choice	8,485	9,185	61.7	65.0	1,147	1,155	25.04	26.31
Good	4,365 594	3,842 468	31.7 4.3	27.2 3.3	1,097 1,121	1,150 1,098	23.44 21.27	25.17 24.07
Utility	180	247	1.3	1.8	1,033	1,119	18.99	22.80
All grades	13,758	14,127			1,129	1,152	24.32	25.90
Dwimo				AS CITY]	1 000	1,112	27.50	28.00
Prime	1,917	1,292	.4 33.0	26.5	1,088 1,150	1,196	25.02	26.24
Good	3,017	2,871	52.0	58.8	1,173	1,154	23.07	25.02
Standard Commercial	759 	631	13.1	13.0	1,140	1,113	20.77	23.46
Utility	89	36	1.5	.7	1,125	1,162	17.30	21.45
All grades	5,807	4,881			1,160	1,159	23.34	25.16
			<u>Sr. D</u>	OUIS NSY				
Prime		5	70.0	.1		978		28.50
Choice	756 3,337	1,383 2,395	12.8 56.7	31.1 53.9	1,094 1,081	1,138 1,090	25.98 23.97	26.35 25.47
Standard	1,561	648	26.5	14.6	1,052	1,054	21.34	24.01
Commercial	238	12	4.0	7	1,041	1,082	18.09	21.01
Utility All grades	5,892	4,443	4.0	.3	1,041	1,100	23.32	25.54
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Prime		25		.4		1,082		28.50
Choice	3,785	2,660	52.7	38.7	1,132	1,107	24.73	26.89
Good	2,682	2,959	37.3	43.0	1,096	1,109	22.84	25.15
Standard Utility	721	1,154 74	10.0	16.8 1.1	1,085	1,111	20.05	23.75 21.62
All grades	7,188	6,872		***	1,114	1,108	23.58	25.56
			DE	NVER				
Prime							900 BB)	
Choice	1,421	1,208	55.5	54.0	1,160	1,196	26.16	26.56
Good	1,102 28	1,031	43.0 1.1	46.0	1,177 1,031	1,126	24.84 18.66	25.79
Utility	11		.4		939		16.00	
All grades	2,562	2,239			1,165	1,164	25.48	26.22
1/ Data collec	ted by Agri	cultural Es	stimates,	and Livest	ock Divisio	ns, A.M.	S.	

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER 1/ Average price in Percent of total Average weight Number of head dollars per 100 lb. (pounds) by grades Grade Nov. Nov. Nov. Nov. Nov. Nov. : 1958 : 1959 : 1958 : 1959 : 1958 : 1959 : 1958 CHICAGO 21,323 13,026 9.4 16.4 1,236 27.94 27.64 1,248 93,335 92,677 67.6 71.4 1,159 1,174 26.53 26.77 Choice.... 14,202 1,101 25.82 10.9 1,104 27,149 19.7 26.19 Good..... 1.2 1,059 3,835 1.509 1,020 2.8 24.44 23,20 Standard..... 36 1,534 74 1,472 23.09 23.50 --Commercial.... 1,047 91 674 .5 .1 986 20.27 22.50 Utility..... 1,175 129,838 26.79 138,093 1,152 26.31 All grades.... 1,198 26.70 4,429 896 1.3 7.3 1,220 Prime..... 26.68 33,510 1,131 55.2 25.97 Choice.... 38,361 55.4 1,132 25.24 1,118 16,004 37.4 26.4 1,117 25.03 Good..... 25,943 23.76 1,165 6,584 Standard..... 3,645 5.3 10.8 1,097 21.50 23.65 174 1,006 .6 21.10 Utility..... 436 1,087 19.60 1,136 60,701 1,126 All grades.... 69,281 25.51 24.49 STOUX CITY 1,221 1,162 881 823 1.5 1.8 26.95 Prime.... 26.90 72.1 Choice.... 31,536 33,907 54.5 1,143 1,145 25.16 25.85 10,020 22,364 38.7 21.3 1,082 1,106 24.09 24.95 Good..... 2,452 1.831 4.2 3.9 1,103 Standard..... 1,089 22.24 23.78 1,024 Utility..... 656 422 1,165 20.54 22.42 57,889 47,003 1,117 1,136 All grades.... 24.62 KANSAS CITY 184 1,087 28.00 Prime.... 1.0 81 .3 1.094 27.22 Choice.... 6,210 35.0 31.3 1,132 26.27 7,984 1,130 25.68 1,138 10,339 1,131 52.2 Good 11,351 49.7 23.37 24.84 2,968 1,085 1,075 Standard..... 3,147 13.8 15.0 23.50 20.96 Commercial.... ------1,077 1,054 Utility..... 279 99 .5 21.15 17.43 All grades.... 22,842 1,122 23.81 ST. LOUIS NSY Prime.... Choice.... 3,248 4,432 15.7 30.0 1,069 1,088 26.35 26.71 8,007 24.64 Good..... 12,254 59.1 54.3 1,086 1,068 25.53 2,260 Standard..... 1,050 22.36 3,611 17.4 15.3 1,056 23.78 Commercial.... --62 988 881 20.18 Utility..... 1,628 7.8 20.73 1,072 All grades.... 20,741 1,069 S. ST. JOSEPH .5 106 1,092 Prime.... 32 1,207 26.92 28.02 8,032 34.1 1,122 1,080 Choice..... 14,272 48.8 26.64 25.31 10,885 1,126 Good.... 11,731 46.3 1.110 40.2 25.16 23.45 1,126 Standard..... 3,067 4,284 18.2 1,070 10.5 23.73 20.88 217 114 993 Utility..... 995 17.08 21.78 29,216 1,109 All grades.... 1,111 25.37 Prime.... 1,166 5,315 Choice..... 5,226 58.2 51.4 1,142 26.33 26.32 4,814 41.3 1,100 3,778 47.4 1,155 Good..... 25.03 25.45 122 1,188 1.2 Standard..... 1,041 20.81 22.14 Utility..... 1,159 All grades.... 9,138 10,162 1,125 25.77 25.87

1/ Data collected by Agricultural Estimates, and Livestock Divisions, A.M.S.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SEVEN MARKETS COMBINED 1/

	Number	of head	:-		ota		- :- : - • - :	(p		weight	:- : :_	Average in do per 1	11	ars	_
	Nov. 1959	: Nov. : 1958	:- :_	Nov. 1959	:	Nov. 1958	ont:	Nov. 1959	: ::		:- :_	Nov. 1959	:	Nov. 1958	_
Prime Choice Good Standard Com'l Utility All grades	194,051 114,570 19,802 74	26,865 183,994 74,271 19,558 36 1,065 305,789	_	4.3 55.9 33.0 5.7 .0		8.8 60.2 24.3 6.4 .0		1,244 1,145 1,103 1,065 1,472 1,023 1,130		1,225 1,153 1,115 1,117 1,534 1,062 1,147		27.80 25.93 24.22 21.88 23.09 19.88 25.19		27.47 26.42 25.24 23.72 23.50 21.90 26.06	

HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SEVEN MARKETS COMBINED 1/

Grade	Number	of head	-:- -:_	t	ota	des	_:_	verage (pow			-:- -:_	in	lol	price lars 0 lb.	
di dado						Mo	nth								
	Nov.	: Nov.	-:-	Nov.	:	Nov.	-:-	Nov.	:	Nov.	-:-	Nov.	:	Nov.	_
	1959	: 1958	_:_	1959	:	1958	_:_	1959	:	1958	_:_	1959_	:	1958	
Prime	3,906	4,725		2.5		4.3		995		983		25.70		27.22	
Choice	86,043	64,421		54.7		58.8		953		946		24.47		26.24	
Good	55,318	32,416		35.2		29.6		915		908		23.26		25.29	
Standard	9,884	6,989		6.3		6.4		883		903		20.93		23.65	
Com 1															
Utility	2,061	1,007		1.3		.9		864		890		18.09		20.65	
All grades.	157,212	109,558			_			935	_	933		23.80	_	25.80	

STEERS AND HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT 5 SPECIFIED MARKETS 1/NOVEMBER 1959

Market	Number o	:		nds)	Average in doll per 100	ars
	Steers	Heifers	Steers	: Heifers :	Steers :	Heifers
Cincinnati	3,412	2,393	1,039	734	24.64	23.55
Indianapolis	90004	2,880	1,043	862	25.28	24.24
Fort Worth		632	947	606	21.96	22.42
Oklahoma City	W 000	1,164	1,131	846	23.19	22.77
Sioux Falls		7,521	1,114	954	24.18	22.76

^{1/} Data collected by Agricultural Estimates, and Livestock Division, A.M.S.

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FEEDER A	ND STOCKE	R CATTLE:	AVERAGE	COST, WEIG	HT, AND N	UMBER	
	١	Week ended		Mo	nth	Five	months
0	Dec. 3	Nov. 26			Nov.	1	- Dec.
	1959	1959	1958	1959	1958		1958
Steers - 1001# up	380	348	1,780	2,547	3,187	17,386	21,115
901-1000	1,981	1,322	1,857	9,165	7,361	57,784	57,045
801-900	3,875	4,375	3,775	21,490	16,340	104,616	98,940
701-809	6,000	7,123	4,479	42,764	27,475	166,263	139,730
501-700	10,448	13,442	7,239	72,279	53,694	332,445	280,551
			20 370	340 045	3.00.058	678,494	TOT 701
Total steers 10 mkts.	22,684	26,610	19,130	148,245	108,057		597,381 728#
Av. wts. '' '' ''	724#	709#	761#	711#	715#		
Av.cost*'' " "	\$23.05	\$22.56	\$26.64	\$23.73	\$27.20	\$25.32	\$26.28
" " Chicago	23.14	24.14	26.47	25.46	27.59	26.23	26.38
" " Ks. City	22.88	22.11	26.07	23.34	26.46	24.81	25.56
" " Omaha	24.20	23.20	26.87	24.85	28.40	26.46	27.49
'' '' S. St. Paul	21.04	21.67	25.74	21.80	25.21	23 .7 5	24.72
" " Sioux City	24.06	23.75	27.66	24.86	28.02	26.55	27.11
'' '' Denver	24.04	24.00	27.82	24.63	27.86	25.61	27.28
'' '' Ft. Worth	18.80	19.9 1 **	25.55	20.83	24.84	24.08	25.09
" " Okla. City	21.39	19.72	26.53	21.76	25.96	24.11	25.19
" " S. St. Joseph	21.91	21.48	26.77	22.32	26.32	24.69	25.19
" " Natl. Stk. Yds.	21.80	21.03	24.79	22.79	24.87	24.15	24.40
Total calves-10 mkts.	21,334	29,115	21,045	148,826	129,130	442,140	424,052**
" heifers " "	3,753	5,596	3,840	24,768	19,370	124,691	126,459**
COVS T	2,257	1,737	2,088	9,496	12,006	24,307	31,089

^{*} Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market. **Correction.

ESTIMATED FEDERALLY	INSPECTED	SLAUGHTER	AND MEAT	PRODUCTION
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Week	2			vea		i (exc]	.lard)	and Mu	tton_	mest	lord	
ended		Num-		Num-:	Prod.	: Num-:	Prod	: Num-:	Prod.	prod.	pred.	
	-	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000 m			mil.lb.	
Dec. 5, 1959		370	220.5	115	12.8	1,675	232.0	300	14.7	480.0		
Nov.28, 1959		305	180.0	90	10.2	1,350	187.0	230	11.0	388.2		
Nov.21, 1959:	1/	344		106	400 cm	1,569		222			49.0	
Dec. 6, 1958	_	352	212.4	118	12.7	1,381	193.5	260	12.5	431.1	47.9	
Percentage cl	hai	nge fro	m:									
Nov.28, 1959		21	22	28	25	24	24	30	34	24		
Dec. 6, 1958		5	4	-3	1	21	20	15	18	11		
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Dec. 5, 1959		1045	596	195	111	243	138	101	49	_	-	
Nov. 28,1959		1035	590	200	113	243	138	101	48		_	
Nov. 21, 1959)	1025	579	200	113	240		99	47	-	_	
Dec. 6, 1958		1062	603	188	108	245	140	99	48	14.	2	
1/ Actual a	la	nghter	. 2/	Exclude	s lard.							

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.

Note: Actual slaughter (in thous.) for the week ended November 14 included 360 cattle, 111 calves, 1,497 hogs and 261 sheep. Lard production for the same week was 50.4 million pounds.

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Clty or Area	Dec. 5	: Dec. 6 :	Dec. 5	Dec. 6	. De	C C	Dec. 6	Dec. 5	Dec. 6
	1959	1958	1959	: 1958		959 :	1958	: 1959	: 1958
Boston, New York City Area.	14,685	15,050	10,396	8,564	52	,416	50,103	44,906	40,898
Baltimore, Philadelphia	8,327	7,770	2,688	870	29	,680	27,965	4,391	3,437
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls.	19,451	17,423	5,271	5,063	143	,874	109,333	17,680	14,906
Chicago Area	18,353	19,327	8,260	8,947	37	191	55,257	8,175	
St. Paul-Wisc. Areas	32,548		29,567	21,103	181	,563	128,936	19,962	17,720
St. Louis Area	12,529	11,088	2,656	1,980	1000	,749	87,390	6,989	6,337
Slour City-So. Dakota Area	25,105		1	1	150	,368	115,796	23,188	21,946
Omaha Area	36,898		171	241	103	,917	90,459	16,088	14,214
Kansas City	14,913		1	1	20	,063	31,787	1	•
Iowa - So. Minnesota	30,828	32,169	11,846	13,025	365	,641	321,049	33,196	32,158
Lou'l. Evan'l. Nash'l. Mph's	6,521	7,483	4,352	4,777	65	, 791	50,487	1	1
Georgia, Florida, Ala. Area	5,281	6,426	2,085	4,111	31	,579	27,898	1	1
St.Jo'ph. Wichita, Okla. City.	21,043	16,592	1,620	1,732	75,	,515	52,489	10,770	8,391
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio	8,603	7,897	4,038	4,904	22	,762	21,166	16,295	7,363
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City	19,951	17,041	214	274	13	,226	14,732	32,232	28,258
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas	26,742	21,510	1,055	2,736	31	, 791	24,329	39, 566	27,708
Portland, Seattle, Spokane	7,773	6,442	389	337	22		18,603	6,200	4,181
Total	309,551	282,523	84,608	88,664	1,484	,283	1,227,779	279,638	232,433
Accumulation to date 13,447,101	13,447,101	13,492,824 3	,168,954	3,860,789	55,128	,054 47	,492,765	11,115,893	10,102,056
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1		Dec.	Nov	Dec.		Dec.	Nov.	Dec.

CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS In dollars per 100 pounds

	Chic	cago	Kans	as City	Ome	aha	Der	ver	Los Ar	goles
Classification	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6
	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958
				o, calv						
Steers -	219	TOKUTEL	Carri	or Gara	es and	Aggrer	8			
Prime 900-1100#	27.28	28.58			26.92	28.12				
1100-1300		28.15								
Choice 900-1100				27.00					25.75	
1100-1300				26.50						
Good 900-1100 Standard-All wts.				25.38 23.25				22.00		
Standard-All wis.	~~.~0	~±./5	13.73	~U•~U	20.00	~J.OO	13,00	~~.00	νT. 30	K4.00
Heifers -										
Choice 600-800#				27.08	-	26.88			25.50	
Good 500-900		26.20		25.16				25.25	23.25	
Standard-All wts.		24.00	19.25	22.88	19.75	23.62	19.30	22.38	20.75	24.05
Cows - All weights- Commercial		10 75	16 00	20 75	15 70	10 20	16 55	20 75	16.62	20 02
Utility	14.25	18.32	14.40	19.00		18.00		19.75	15.25	
Canner & Cutter				16.05		15.75		17.00	12.56	
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Bulls - All wts										
Utility & Com'l.	20.02	23.67	17.70	21.86	18.80	21.56	19.20	23.12	22.25	24.32
Calves - 500# dn			22 25	27.25				27 00		20 75
Stand. & Good				24.62					25.25	-
Vealers - All wts -								20.00	~0.~0	20.70
Choice & Prime		32.50	27.00	30.75	24.50	27.50		29.00		
Stand. & Good	26.25	28.50	22.75	27.50	21.75	24.00		25.25	28.00	
	Fee	ader en	d stoci	ker cat	tle and	d calve	8			
Steers -							,-			
Choice 500-800#	27.75	31.42	25.38	30.50	26.75	30.50	25.75	29.75		
Good " "	25.75	28.05	23.50	27.75	24.25	26.68	24.25	27.50	24.00	25.38
Medium 500-1000	22.00	25.05	20.00	24.50	21.00	23.75	21.00	24.25	21.25	23.25
Heifers - Choice 500-750			22 50	27.50	24 50	28 00	22 25	26 50		
Med. & Gd. " "				24.25						
Cows - All wts			20000	W1.00	20.70	200,10	20,00	~1,00	20.70	
Med. & Gd.			15.70	19.25	13.00	20.00	14.30	19.88	14.00	19.00
Calves - 300-500#-										
Steers -			00.00	75.00	70.00	70 50	00 50	n	00 =0	
Good & Choice			26.80	35.00	30.00	36.50	28.50	35.00	26.50	30.00
Heifers - Good & Choice			23 60	31.00	26 25	33 00	25 38	32 75	24 00	
Good & Choice										

CATTLE: MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICES In dollars per 100 pounds

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		:	ago	Varias				F			eres
Classif			Mass								
			Nov. 1958								
		Tapa	Tago	Taba	TA20	Taoa	Ta20		Ta20		TA20
		Sle	ughter	cattle	, calv	s and	vealer	В			
Steers -											
Prime	900-1100#		28.14					***			
Choice	900-1100	26.75		25.76				26.42		25.40	26.03
	1100-1300	26.63	-	25.62	-	25.50		26.41		24.94	25.41
	900-1100	24.91		23.41		23.40				23.28	24.91
Standar	d-All wts.	23.00	24.29	20.21	23.10	20.85	23.42	20.38	21.53	21.03	23.80
Heifers	_										
			26.81	24.86	26.56	24.58	26.54	25.09	26.24	25.06	25.41
Good	500-900	23.59	-	22.70	24.88		-	22.67		23.06	24.28
	d-All wts.	21.61	23.79	19.56	22.55	20.15	23.39	19.52	21.50	20.69	23.12
COWB - A	ll weights-	16.00	10 03	16.27	20.75	15.56	10 20	16.62	70 80	16.84	20.19
Utility	ial	14.20		14.65			18.08			15.47	18.70
	& Cutter	12.47		11.80	16.19			12.12		12.81	16.25
	All wts	00.00	04 33	30.70	07.04	70.04	07 50	70.00	00.00	00 50	04 00
	& Com ¹ 1.	20.02	24.11	18.50	KI. K4	19.24	×1.50	19.02	22.99	22.50	24.60
Choice	2007 di			22.88	25,95			des 400	27.25		29.81
	& Good			19.78						25.40	
	- All wts										
	& Prime								29.00		
Stand.	& Good	28.26	29.22	25.8%	26.44	23.59	24.00		25.25	28.44	
		Foe	eder_an	d_stock	er_cat	tle and	d calve	B			
Steers - Choice		29 07	30.38	25 85	30.11	27.99	30.62	26 18	28.62		
	n n										25.44
Medium	500-1000	23.04	24.55	20.54	23.94	21.79	23.56	21.69	23.81	21.55	23.19
Heifers	_										
	500-750										
	Gd. " "		24.75	20.06	24.19	22.10	25.75	20.86	25.75	21.75	
Med. &				14.83	19.00	15.25	20.00	14.22	19.44	14.34	19.19
	300-500#-										
Steers	-										
	Choice		34.60	28.38	34.69	31.04	36.31	29.74	35.12	26.88	31.12
Heifers	Choice		30.60	21 20	30 88	27 10	39 75	26 65	32 26	24 50	
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HOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS In dollars per 100 pounds - : Interior : St. Louis : - - - - - :

Peoria	Dec									18.45	18,35	18,00	17,48	1	15.84	15,39	14.50	North Portland									19,53	19,53			91 41	16.38	15,38		
Pec	Dec.	1959	 	12.80	12.70	12,38	12 40	11.92	11,42	מי רר	12,48	12,18	11,58		_	9.72	α 1	North		14,38	14.38	13,94		1	8	1	13,62	13,62	13,38	12,69	ממ נו	11.38	10,62	1	1
City	Dec	1958	** ** 	• ••	••	••		••	••	18.00	18.08	18.01:	17.48:	••	15,98;	15,61;	15.08;	re	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	• ••	• ••	••	••	••	••	19,98	19,98	19,58	ľ	. !	: i	Ï	1	1
Kansas	Dec.	1959		-	12,52	12,51	12.14	12.08	11.90	39. 9F	12,28	12,28	12,18	i i	10,38	9 9 0	9,625	Baltimore		13,75	14.06	1		ł	1 0	15.17	13,69	13,94	13,71	ł	1		1	1	1
Joseph	Dec	1958	' •• •• 	• ••	••	••	• ••	••	••	18,00	18.08	17,95;	17,20;	1	15,92;	15,63;	14.95	rille	' ••	•	• ••	• ••	••	**	••	••	17,80	17,80	17,80	16.82	15 39	0 0	-	İ	
St. Jo	Dec.	1959		12.32	12,50	12,46	12,10	12,08	11,83	11,82	12		11.98	t t	10,38	တ တ ပ	9.55 1	Thomasville		13.02	13,02	13,02	1	12.35	12,35	11.78	12,40	12,40	12,40	1	97 0	8.72	7,98	1	1
polis:	Dec	1958	••••	• ••	••	••	. ••	••	••	18.62	18,56	18,25;	17,65:	••	15,84:	15,38;	14.5%;	Worth	•••	• •	• ••	• ••	••	••	••	••	18,12	18,66	18,53	18,00	ָּהְאַרָּ	16.11;	15.50	1	
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HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES 1/

We	ek end	ied	Chi- cago	St. Louis Natl. Stock Yards	Kan- sas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indian- apolis	8- mkts. com- bined
AVERAG	E COS	ST -		D	ollars per	100 pou	nds				
Barrows and gilts	Dec. Nov. Dec.	,	12.22 12.61 18.05	12.34 12.73 18.22	12.09 12.65 17.84	11.99 12.50 17.57	11.91 12.41 17.47	12.09 12.52 17.70	11.83 12.26 17.22	12.57 12.96 18.27	12.10 12.55 17.74
Sows	Dec. Nov. Dec.	5,1959 28,1959 6,1958	9.31 9.78 15.16	9.63 10.32 14.87	9.53 10.19 15.46	9.40 10.33 15.02	9.01 9.95 14.83	9.69 10.29 15.21	9.32 9.91 14.77	9.13 9.81 14.71	9.35 10.05 14.94
AVERAG	E WE	GHT -			Po	u nds					
Barrows and gilts		5,1959 28,1959 6,1958	233 231 234	222 221 228	231 234 234	237 236 239	23 5 235 238	227 225 229	228 225 234	227 228 226	230 229 233
Sows	Dec. Nov. Dec.	5,1959 28,1959 6,1958	411 438 437	412 403 432	424 429 434	427 424 435	433 424 433	398 397 4 1 9	410 406 426	444 441 456	425 420 434
NUMBER								_			
Barrows and gilts	Dec.	5,1959 28,1959 6,1958	44599 31159 43378	65911 50164 49329	16605 11602 13364	57975 39055 45030	57314 41901 49345	32926 25006 26799	65301 40521 61794	22795	376936 262203 323719
Sows	Dec. Nov. Dec.	5,1959 28,1959 6,1958	7093 5182 7255	7561 4984 4966	1668 972 1188	7425 4839 60 1 6	5312 3860 4812	2930 2185 2330	7576 5321 7732	5365 3232 4502	44930 30575 38801
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1/ Wei	Dec.	5,1959 28,1959 6,1958	14 14 14	1 0 9 9	9 8 8	11 11 12	8 8 9	8 8 8	10 12 11	13 12 11	11 10 11

1/ Weighted average.

WEEKLY AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG, COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

			Hog products 1/	Hog prices 2/	Gross spread or margin 3/
Dec.	5,	1959	\$15.00	\$12.60	\$2.40
Nov.	28,	1959	15.37	13.00	2.37
Dec.	6.	1958	20.36	18.71	1.65

1/ Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

2/ Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1, 2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

3/ Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn, 1/ No. 3, yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
Dec. 5, 1959	12.22	109.1	11.2
Nov. 28, 1959	12.61	110.2	11.4
Dec. 6, 1958	18.05	117.5	15.4

^{1/} Simple average price.

HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES 1/

Mon	th		Chi- cago	St. Louis Natl. Stock Yards	Kan- sas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indian- apolis	8- mkts. com- bined
AVERAGI	COS	T -		D	ollars pe	r 100 pou	ınds				
Barrows and gilts	Oct.	1959 1959 1958	12.75 13.07 18.51	12.88 13.26 18.57	12.47 13.14 18.06	12.48 13.14 17.85	12.37 13.12 17.74	12.53 13.14 17.92	12.39 12.74 17.86	13.05 13.33 18.49	12.61 13.11 18.13
Sows	Oct.	1959 1959 1958	10.08 11.03 16.14	10.58 11.26 16.12	10.32 11.43 16.33	10.33 11.48 15.97	10.05 11.25 15.81	10.57 11.61 16.30	10.31 10.91 15.84	10.08 10.85 15.72	10.28 11.16 15.99
AVERAGI	WEI	GHT -			P	unds					
Barrows and gilts	Oct.	1959 1959 1958	230 225 230	221 218 226	230 226 231	233 227 234	233 230 234	225 224 228	224 222 229	227 223 22 7	228 224 230
Sows	Oct.	1959 1959 1958	434 423 435	401 391 424	420 393 428	422 411 433	421 413 426	392 379 398	406 398 418	439 413 453	417 405 429
NUMBER Barrows and	Nov. Oct.	1959 1959	165213 161319	256722 251565	66965 665 34		167585	123824 119419	202312	154449	1393618 1289589
gilts	Nov. Oct.	1958 1959 1959 1958	159206 23421 25925 19809	189112 25533 21313 18143	49894 6093 5126 3876	158105 24445 24028 19809	177421 18565 16339 16685	102259 11370 10137 6935	31254 32264 13763	92969 17562 17853 11648	1045945 158243 152985 110668
sows						ge of tota					
1/ Wei	Oct. Nov.	1959 1959 1958 average.	12 14 11	9 8 9	8 7 7	11 13 11	8 9 9	8 8 6	12 14 11	12 10 11	10 11 10

AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG. COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

Month	Hog products 1/	Hog prices 2/	Gross spread or margin 3/
Nov. 1959	\$15.32	\$13. 06	\$2.26
Oct. 1959	15.70	13.16	2.54
Nov. 1958	21.02	18.87	2.15

1/ Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

2/ Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1, 2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago. 3/ Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Month	Barrows and gilts 1/ Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn, 1/ No. 3, yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
Nov. 1959 Oct. 1959 Nov. 1958	12.75 13.07 18.51	110.0 109.7 111.7	11.6 11.9 16.6
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1/ Weighted average.

WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

NEW YORK - Non-locally dressed: Supply of Prime steer beef was small, Good and Choice normal; calf and veal moderate; cow beef, lamb and pork normal. Demand was poor on pork loins on early sessions, however, lower prices on Wednesday and thereafter influenced fairly active trading, and clearances were generally complete. Outlet was fair for steer beef. lamb, Good and Choice veal, pork spareribs, Boston butts and skinned hams. Trading was slow for cow beef, calf, along with Standard and Good veal carcasses. Chain outlets absorbed bulk of meat supply, and were particularly aggressive for steer hindquarters. rounds, chucks, lamb hindsaddles, legs and pork loins on late sessions. Compared with Friday the week previous: Steer beef carcass prices 50¢ higher; cow beef 50¢-\$1.00 lower; calf weak; veal mainly \$1.00 up; lamb mainly steady, instances \$1.00 higher; pork loins \$4.00-5.00 off: Boston butts \$2.00 lower: skinned hams \$1.00 lower; spareribs strong to \$1.00 higher.

CHICAGO - Trading was moderately active on steer and heifer beef. Supplies were normal in all divisions. Beef ribs and loins found adequate outlets while demand was poor for arm and squarecut chucks. Cow beef active and substantially higher. Veal trading was slow but most sales were steady. Carcass lamb trading was moderately active. Volume accounts aggressive for fresh pork with best demand for loins. Compared to the previous Friday: Steer and heifer beef 50¢-\$1.00 lower; cow beef \$2.00-3.00 up; veal unchanged; lamb mostly 50¢-\$1.00 lower; pork loins steady to \$1.00 higher: Boston butts \$1.00-2.00 lower; spareribs steady.

Choice and Prime beef chucks brought \$40.00-42.00; comparable rounds \$52.00-54.50; Prime beef loins \$77.00-95.00, Choice \$65.00-75.00; Prime ribs \$57.00-63.00, Choice \$53.00-58.00: Choice and Prime kosher style chucks \$41.00-42.00. Lamb hindsaddles and legs sold from \$50.00-55.00; loins \$53.00-58.00; ribs \$48.00-53.00; stews \$22.00-25.00; shoulders \$32.00-35.00.

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PACIFIC COAST - Trading moderately/on steer beef in California but slow in the Pacific Northwest; cow beef slow except moderately active at Los Angeles; calf and veal rather slow; lamb slow except moderately active late at Los Angeles. Pork slow in California but moderately active elsewhere. Supply of steer beef normal except Choice 700# down rather small in California; cow beef moderate; lamb fairly liberal with increase in 5565# weights in Northwest: pork volume liberal. Compared with the previous week's close: Steer beef steady to \$1.00 higher, the advance in California; cow beef barely steady at San Francisco but firm elsewhere; calf and veal steady to \$2.00 lower: lamb steady to \$1.00 lower: fresh pork loins \$1.00-4.00 lower, other fresh pork steady to \$2.00 lower except skinned hams steady to \$2.00 higher.

Choice steer beef under 650# \$42.00-45.00, limited sales \$46.00 Portland and \$47.00 Seattle; Choice 650-700# \$41.00-45.00, 700-800# \$39.00-44.00; Good 700# down \$38.00-44.00; Standard under 700# \$36.00-41.00: Commercial cow beef \$30.00-34.00: Utility \$27.00-33.00: Canner and Cutter \$25.00-31.00.

Choice veal 90-150# Portland and San Francisco \$50.00-56.00; Good at Portland mostly \$48.00-52.00. Choice 150-200# calf at Los Angeles \$49.00-53.00; Good \$47.00-51.00; Choice 200-300# \$47.00-51.00: Good 200-325# at all points \$41.00-50.00. Choice lamb under 55# \$37.00-42.00, 55-65# \$35.00-39.00; Good all weights \$35.00-41.00. Fresh pork loins \$36.00-43.00: fresh skinned hams \$40.00-47.00; N. Y. shoulders \$27.00-33.00; Boston butts \$32.00-36.00; spareribs under 3# \$32.00-41.00: smoked skinned hams mostly \$44.00-53.00: sliced 1# packages bacon \$33.00-44.00; lard in 1# cartons \$12.50-15.00. limited sales to \$17.50 in the Northwest.

SHIPS SAILINGS WITH MEAT FOR U. S. - The Agricultural Attache in Australia reported the following ships sailings with frozen beef for the United States: The Anna Bakke sailed October 24 with 421,120# for Seattle, 311,360# for San Francisco, 67,200# for Portland and 22,400# for Alaska; Port Chalmers, November 6 with 3,205,440# for New York, 474,880# for Boston and 69,440# for Los Angeles; Monterrey, November 7 with 329,280# for Los Angeles and 302,400# for San Francisco; Northumberland, November 11 with 7,766,080# for New York, 3,808,000# for Chicago, 288,960# for Philadelphia and 161,280# for Boston; Pioneer Star, November 17 with 398,720# for New York and 67,200# for San Francisco.

Note: Cities listed indicate location of purchasers and in some instances meat may be diverted for sale to other areas.

CARLOT MEAT REPORT - Steer and heifer beef sold 50¢-\$1.00 lower in a moderately active trade. Trade active on cow beef \$1.00-3.00 higher. Lamb carcasses sold steady to \$1.00 lower except Choice carcasses 35-45# at New York steady to strong.

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS (In dollars per 100 pounds)

		New	y Ye	 ork	:	- Chi	cag	0	:	San Fra	ncisco	:	Los A	nge	les
Classifi	cation	Dec.	 :	Dec.	:	Dec.	-:-	Dec.	:	Dec. :	Dec.	:	Dec.	-:-	Dec.
		: 5	:	6	:	5	:	6	:	5 :	6	:	5	:	6
		1959	:_	1958	:	1959	_:_	1958	:	1959 :	1958	<u>:</u> ·	1959	_ : _	1958
Steer beef -															
Prime	700-800#	49.00		46.25				44.25							
Choice	500-600					42.88		44.50		44.50	45.38		43.75		45.00
	600-700	45.50		45.25		42.81		44.50		42.85	43.62		42.00		43.12
Good	400-600	43.25		42.75		41,22		42.50)	42.75	44.12		41.00		43.00
Standard	350-600					39.25		41.50)	39.50	40.62		39.00		42.00
Cow beef, al	l wts														
Commercial		34.20		38.95		28.75		35.75		32.00	37.50		31.50		37.00
Utility		33.45		37.35		28.12		34.75		29.50	36.50		29.50		37.00
Veal -															
Prime	90-120#	60.50		59.50		53.00		52.50							
Choice	90-120	49.00		51.10		47.00		49.00							
Good	90-120	44.00		48.40		42.00		46.50)	55.00	55.00				
Lamb -															
Prime	35-45#	42.50		48.50				47.05							
	45-55	42.00		47.70				46.65			44.00		40.50		44.25
Choice	45-55	40.40		46.50		39.12		45.65		40.00	44.00		40.50		44.25
	55-65	40.15		44.40		37.75		44.00		37.50	41.25		38.50		42.00
Good, all		39.50		45.50		36.00)	43.00		39.00	42.25		37.75		41.50
Pork - Fresh		_						_							
Loins	8-12#	38.35		46.90		34.50		43.31		41.00	48.00		37.50		47.00
	12-16	37.00		45.80		33.44		40.94		39.25	47.75		37.50		47.00
Butts	4-8	31.30		36,60		27.10)	33.50)	33.75	43.88		34.50)	41.25
Pork - Cured															
Hams, smk.								== 00			=0.00				
	12-16#	41.00		56.50		49.50		58.00		51.50	56.00		50.12		57.00
	16-18	40.00		55.00)	47.00)	54.62		47.25	56.00		48.88	}	55.50
Bacon, smk	Slab -							E0 55			F# F0				44 70
	6-8#	27.50		40 50		32.25		50.75			53.50				44.38
02.1	8-10	28.50		42.50		31.50		49.00		40.50	51.75		40.05		43.88
Sliced,		35.50		47.50		38.00		52.75		40.50	53.75		40.25		53.38
Picnics, s Lard, l# c		29.50		34.00		32.00		35.88	}	31.00	36.25		30.25)	35.88
Refined		13.00		15.50		12.00)	14.88	3	15.50	20.50		13.75		17.75

Note: Quotations at New York exclude locally dressed fresh meats. Variation in prices in some cured pork cuts between Chicago and New York due in part to differences in processing and packaging.

BUIK PRICES - CARLOT BASIS - WEEK ENDED DEC. 4, 1959

		-:	Prices paid F.O.	.в.	Prices	delivered
Classi	fication		Denver:		New York :	Philadelphia_
Steer beef	-					
Choice	600-700#	41.50-42.00	40.00-40.50	40.50-40.75	43.00-44.00	43.00-43.50
	700-800	40.50-41.00	39.00-39.50	39 .25- 39.75	42.00-43.00	42.00-42.50
	800-900	39.00-39.50	38.00-38.50	38.25-38.75	41.00-42.00	41.00-41.50
Good	500-600				41.00-42.00	40.50-41.00
	600-700	39.50-40.00	39.00-39.50	38.75-39.75	41.00-41.50	40.00-41.00
	700-800	39.00-39.50		37.75-38.50	40.00-40.50	40.00-40.50
Heifer beef	· -					
Choice	500-600#	39.50-40.00	39.00-41.00	38.50-39.00	41.00-42.00	-
	600-700	39.00-39.50	38.00-39.00	38.00-38.50	41.00-41.50	
Good	500-600	37.50-38.00		36.50-37.00	39.00-40.00	
	600-700	37.50-38.00		36.50	39.00-39.50	
Lamb -						
Choice	35-45#	37.00-38.00	36.50	35.75-37.25	40.00-41.00	38.50-40.00
	45-55	37.00-38.00	36.50	35.25-36.25	38.00-39.50	38.00-39.50
	55-65	36.00-36.50		34.50-35.25	36.00-38.00	37.00-38.00

BOSTON WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Trading of greasy domestic worsted wools continued moderately active as about 7 cars sold at steady prices. The supply of medium grade and half-blood wools was limited and best demand was toward fine wools. Handlers of pulled wools reported a modest volume sold with prices 2¢ higher. Noils were more active with some dealers reporting a substantial weight bought for import at about 2¢ higher prices. Scoured shorn woolen wools were generally slow but there was a good demand for lambs wool. Activity in the domestic primary areas was limited due to small supplies.

Cabled reports from Australia at midweek showed the Continent, Eastern Europe, Japan and England operating under very keen competition. There was a good selection of topmaking and spinners Merinos, come-backs and cross-bred wools. Prices at all markets were steady to $2\frac{1}{2}$ percent higher. Quotations from South Africa were firm with general competition. A sale will be held at Christchurch, New Zealand December 4. Few sales were made at South American markets.

Fleece Wools - Graded 56/58s good French combing and staple fleeces sold around \$1.11, while graded 50/54s staple wool brought \$1.06 clean basis. Medium grade fleece lambs wool sold around 82-83¢ clean.

Territory Wools - Graded 64/70s staple wool sold at \$1.28, while graded 64s good French combing and staple brought \$1.25-1.26. A lot of choice original bag bulk 64/70s bulk staple wool sold at \$1.27, while another lot of bulk 64s good French combing original bag Territory wool brought \$1.23 clean basis.

Texas Wools - Trade in Texas wools was limited.

Mohair - Approximately 1,000,000 lbs. of Spring mohair had been contracted to date around $96\frac{1}{2}\phi$ for adult and $$1.26\frac{1}{2}$$ for kid hair to the warehouse.

Foreign Wools - Spot super skirted Montevideo 60/64s fleeces sold around \$1.28 clean basis, duty paid. Cabled reports from foreign markets at week's end follow. Combing wools converted to clean U. S. oilcombed yields and short wools to scouring yields, in bond.

Australia Oil-combed

61	B	-	\$1.21	422	_	\$1.21
62	B	_	1.18	423	-	1.15
63	В	_	1.15	424	-	1.09
				425	_	1.01

		New Ze.	aland		
		Oil-co	mbed		
93	_	94¢	107	_	91¢
834	_	93¢	114	_	90¢
100	_	92¢	128	_	89¢

South Africa

	Oil	-combed	Scour	ed	yields
7	_	\$1.12	22	-	\$1.04
12	_	1.11	27	_	1.00
47	-	1.11	32	_	.97
52	-	1.10			
17	-	1.10			

Montevideo Super Wools

60/648	-	\$1.12	
60s	-	1.07	
58/60s	-	1.06	
56s	-	.99	

Carpet Wools - Spot or nearby New Zealand carpet fleeces sold around 84¢ clean fibers present. Spot Middle Eastern yellow wool sold around 62¢ clean fibers present. Buenos Aires November second clip wools were priced around 78-80¢ clean fibers present for shipment. Approximately 7,000 bales of Pakistan, India and Afghanistan carpet wools will be offered at Liverpool on December 9.

Woolen Wools - Sales follow:

Scoure	d Pulle	ed Domestic	
58s		Tinged	\$1.14
58s	2-311	White	1.13
588	2-221	White	1.12
56 s	21-311	Tinged	1.08
56 s	13-211	Def. tinged	. 99

Greasy Pulled Domestic

(CTe	an bas	18)		
58s	23-3"	Def.	tinged	\$1.04
588	2-3#	Def.	tinged	.98
56 s	3-41	Seedy	tinged	1.04

Wool Tops - Trade in wool tops was dull with the main interest in one-quarter blood grades. Quotes follow:

Warp	Aust. D/C	Warp Dom. D/C
70s	- \$2.00	\$1.97
648	- 1.94	1.91
628	- 1.88	1.83
60s	- 1.83	1.74
58/60s	- 1.79	1.68

CLOSING FUTURES QUOTATIONS - Dec. 3, 1959 (Furnished by the Wool Assoc. of the N.Y. Cotton Exchange)

December wool tops - \$1.626
December wool - 1.224
March wool tops - 1.653
March wool - 1.305

: October :	
Commodity 1959	
EXPORTS (Domestic) Pounds	Pounds
Beef and Veal -	
Fresh or frozen (except canned) 674,380	747,178
Pickled or cured (except canned) 2,261,230	2,081,442
Pork -	w, 002, 110
Fresh or frozen (except canned) 1,502,481	849,752
Hams and shoulders, cured or cooked 2,047,155	1,830,367
Bacon	969,482
Pork, pickled, salted or otherwise cured, n.e.c 1,003,144	935,310
Sausage, bologna & frankfurters (except canned) 201,950	156,206
Meat and meat products (except canned) n.e.c 6,391	
Beef and pork livers, fresh or frozen 5,068,450	4,422,138
Beef tongues, fresh or frozen 1,041,570	2,821,844
Variety meats, n.e.c. (except canned) 1,555,813	967,091
Meat specialties, frozen, n.e.c 574,301	476,778
Canned meats -	
Beef and veal	198,765
Sausage, bologna and frankfurters	115,653
Hams and shoulders	249,289
Pork, canned, n.e.c	300,025
Meat and meat products, n.e.c 357,317	439,099
Lamb and mutton (except canned)	10,080
Lard (includes rendered pork fat)	39,321,917
Shortenings, animal fat (excl. lard)	13,200
Tallow, edible	300,226 84,462,611
Tallow, inedible	107,226
Inedible animal greases and fats, n.e.c	6,422,824

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF LIVESTOCK

	october 1959	: October : 1958
Cattle (For breeding) -	Number	Number
Dairy	785	144
Ex. dairy	901	2,756
Other (ex. for breeding)	5,224	119
Hogs	2,420	113
Sheep	34	37 8

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SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS In dollars per 100 pounds

Clas	sification	Chicago	Omaha	: Kansas : City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	North Port- land
	AMBS: (Wooled)	- All wts.						
Choice	Dec. 5, 1959 Dec. 6, 1958	17.98 21.20	18.08	17.85 20.45	17.05 20.85	18.00	17.18 19.75	17.25 19.69*
Good	Dec. 5, 1959 Dec. 6, 1958	17.08 20.10	17.20 19.88	17.05 19.85	16.55 20.45	17.48 20.12	16.48 19.00	16.50 18.91*
EWES: (Woo	led) - All wts.							
Good and Choice	Dec. 5, 1959 Dec. 6, 1958	4.60 6.75	5.42 7.75	6.75		5.38 * 7.88	4.25 8.25	5.00 7.75
Cull and Utility	Dec. 5, 1959 Dec. 6, 1958	3.75 6.50	4.08 6.50	5.75	6.40* 7.50*		2.50 5.75	3.50 5.25
FEEDER LAMB	S - All wts.							
Good and Choice	Dec. 5, 1959 Dec. 6, 1958		17.25 21.82		14.40 18.65	18.38 22.06	15.50 19.38	14.75 17.50
*Shorn ba	sis.							

Cattle and calves: Inventories, marketings, and placements, Arizona and California, 1959

Item	: Arizona	: California
*	1,000 head	1,000 head
Cattle and calves on feed November 1	249	687
Cattle and calves placed on feed during November	49	105
Fed cattle marketed during November	33	127
Cattle and calves on feed December 1	265	665